House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 3668–3677; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 684 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H. Res. 682, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3567) to amend the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to expand opportunities for investments in small business (H. Rept. 110–350) and

H. Res. 683, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3121) to restore the financial solvency of the national flood insurance program and to provide for such program to make available multiperil coverage for damage resulting from windstorms and floods (H. Rept. 110–351). Pages H10937–38, H10939

Making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2008: The House agreed to H.J. Res. 52, to make continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2008, by a recorded vote of 404 ayes to 14 noes, Roll No. 911.

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Agreed to the Lewis (CA) motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yea-and-nay vote of 341 yeas to 79 nays, Roll No. 910. Subsequently, Representative Obey reported the bill back to the House with the amendment and the amendment was agreed to.

Pages H10918–19

H. Res. 677, the rule providing for consideration of the resolution, was agreed to by voice vote after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 220 yeas to 192 nays, Roll No. 908.

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Directing the Occupational Safety and Health Administration to issue a standard regulating worker exposure to diacetyl: The House passed H.R. 2693, to direct the Occupational Safety and Health Administration to issue a standard regulating worker exposure to diacetyl, by a yea-and-nay vote of 260 yeas to 154 nays with 2 voting "present", Roll No. 913.

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Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and Labor now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment.

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Accepted:

Miller (CA) manager's amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 110–349) that clarifies that a standard

will only be needed if diacetyl is still in use and clarifies that Section 4, calling for a NIOSH study, applies to potential substitutes for diacetyl.

Pages H10928-29

Rejected:

Wilson (SC) amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 110–349) that sought to require the Occupational Safety and Health Administration to wait until the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) concludes there is sufficient data to support a recommended exposure limit and establishes such recommended exposure limit before issuing a final standard (by a recorded vote of 189 ayes to 233 noes, Roll No. 912). Pages H10929–31

H. Res. 678, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by voice vote after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 221 yeas to 193 nays, Roll No. 909.

Pages H10908-10, H10912-13

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

Providing for the extension of transitional medical assistance (TMA), the abstinence education program, and the qualifying individuals (QI) program: H.R. 3668, to provide for the extension of transitional medical assistance (TMA), the abstinence education program, and the qualifying individuals (QI) program.

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Recess: The House recessed at 3:17 p.m. and reconvened at 6:25 p.m. Page H10937

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H10912, H10912–13, H10918–19, H10919–20, H10931, and H10932. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMODITY EXCHANGE ACT REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management held a hearing to review reauthorization of the Commodity Exchange Act. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ARMY STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on Army Strategic initiatives. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Army: